

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Newport News Division**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case No. 4:06cr120

BRANDON WASHINGTON,

Defendant.

ORDER

In accordance with the Bail Reform Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), the Court held a hearing on October 17, 2006, on the United States Government's Motion to Detain Defendant. For the reasons set forth below, the Court FINDS that Defendant's detention pending trial is warranted.

On September 13, 2006, a federal grand jury issued an indictment charging Defendant with the following offenses: one (1) count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and distribution of cocaine base, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B)(iii); five (5) counts of possession with intent to distribute and distribution of cocaine base within 1,000 feet of a school, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 860(a); and one (1) count of unlawful user of narcotics in possession of a firearm.

Defendant declined to put on evidence regarding his detention and waived his detention hearing. A defendant may waive the right to a detention hearing guaranteed to him by 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f). See United States v. Clark, 865 F.2d 1433, 1436 (4th Cir. 1989) (en banc) (holding that a defendant may waive the right to a detention hearing or to the holding of a detention hearing within the time requirements of 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)).

In reaching its determination herein, and accepting Defendant's waiver of his right to a detention hearing, the Court took into account Defendant's demeanor and concluded that he understood the nature and consequences of his waiver of his rights to a detention hearing. The Court notes that Defendant was represented by counsel at the detention hearing.

Accordingly, the Court FINDS that Defendant should be detained pending trial. The Court therefore ORDERS Defendant DETAINED pending trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e) and (f); United States v. Gebro, 948 F.2d 1118, 1121 (9th Cir. 1991); United States v. Araneda, 899 F.2d 368, 370 (5th Cir. 1990); United States v. Jackson, 823 F.2d 4, 5 (2d Cir. 1987); United States v. Medina, 775 F.2d 1398, 1402 (11th Cir. 1985).

Consequently, the Court further ORDERS Defendant be committed to the custody of the Attorney General or his designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. Defendant shall

be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private consultation with defense counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver Defendant to the United States Marshal for an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

The Clerk shall mail or deliver a copy of this order to (i) the United States Attorney at Norfolk, (ii) the United States Marshal at Norfolk, (iii) the United States Pretrial Services Office at Norfolk, and (iv) counsel of record for Defendant.

Entered on October 17, 2006

/s/
F. Bradford Stillman
United States Magistrate Judge